

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to Original House Bill No. 517 by Representative LeBas

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 8, after "A." and before "Any" insert "(1)"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 2

4 On page 1, line 13, change "because of a refusal" to "for declining"

5 AMENDMENT NO. 3

6 On page 1, between lines 14 and 15, insert the following:

7 "(2) This Section shall not prevent an inquiry by an employer or patient
8 regarding whether a person, employer, or entity declines to participate in any health
9 care service that violates its conscience. When a patient requests health care
10 services, a person, employer, or entity shall identify, in writing, as soon as
11 practicable, its declination to provide a service in accordance with the provisions of
12 this Section.

13 (3) The provisions of this Section shall not be construed to relieve any health
14 care provider from providing emergency care as required by state or federal law."

15 AMENDMENT NO. 4

16 On page 1, line 16, after "means" delete the remainder of the line and insert "sincerely held
17 religious belief or moral conviction."

18 AMENDMENT NO. 5

19 On page 1, line 17, after "service" delete the remainder of the line and insert the following:

20 "includes, but is not limited to, abortion, dispensation of drugs affecting the
21 reproductive process, artificial insemination, sterilization, artificial reproductive
22 technologies, human embryonic stem cell research, human embryo cloning, fetal
23 experimentation, euthanasia, or physician-assisted suicide."

24 AMENDMENT NO. 6

25 On page 1, delete lines 18 and 19 in their entirety and on page 2, delete lines 1 and 2 in their
26 entirety.

27 AMENDMENT NO. 7

28 On page 2, after line 6, insert the following:

29 "C. A suit alleging a violation of this Section shall be brought in a district
30 court in accordance with R.S. 23:303."